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The authors regard that part of the inheritance tax which falls on the estate as a capitalized income tax on funded income and suggest that the rates should correspond to the average rates of the income tax during the current generation. The inheritance tax on heirs, which they call an acquisition duty, is based on the doctrine of escheat. This is good enough law, but it is doubtful if the ordinary heir perceives any distinction.

Some of the more important chapters relate to the death duties in Ireland, the corporation duty and dual taxation. There is a discussion of the legal meaning of the term "direct taxation" which in England is now by court decision the same as defined by John Stuart Mill. No attempt is made to explain the American judicial interpretation of the term. At times the authors have employed language that would indicate that they were writing for a legally-trained audience, as in the case of the words "cesser" (p. 23), "user" (p. 191), and "legitim" (p. 390). It is rather surprising then to find a footnote (p. 71) to the effect that Disraeli and Lord Beaconsfield were the same person. Is it possible that the legal profession in England is not expected to be acquainted with modern history? Another questionable point is the translation of the German *Land* by "land" on page 372; "country" or "nation" would better convey the meaning.

One of the best chapters in the book is that devoted to estimates of capital wealth, both because of its description of methods of estimating and because of its collection of estimates, especially recent ones. In this, and in all discussion of English affairs, the book is interesting and helpful. It is strictly up-to-date and abundantly supplied with references. It will be of much assistance to advanced students of taxation. It will not, however, be of much value in the ordinary work in public finance as given in American universities.

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